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Mr. Walter C. Williams Chairman, Bibb County Airport Authority Post Office Box 308 Centreville, Alabama 35042

Subject:

Airport Inspection Report

Bibb County Airport

Dear Mr. Williams:

An inspection of the Bibb County Airport was conducted by personnel of the Alabama Department of Transportation Aeronautics Bureau on October 18, 2010. The purpose of the inspection was to update the information currently on file regarding the airport and to ascertain compliance with the rules and regulations of the Alabama Department of Transportation governing licensed public-use airports within the State of Alabama.

Attached you will find a copy of the Annual Inspection Report for the airport. As noted in the report, the airport meets all the requirements for the issuance of an operating license. The operating license is issued in full effect. There were items noted in the report that relate to the maintenance of the airport and should be corrected.

If you should have any questions concerning the inspection or corrective actions, please do not hesitate to contact the Aeronautics Bureau at (334) 242-6820.

Sincerely,

John C. Eagerton IV, D.P.A. Chief. Aeronautics Bureau

Cc: Mr. Rans Black, FAA/ADO

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ANNUAL INSPECTION REPORT



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BIBB COUNTY AIRPORT CENTREVILLE, ALABAMA

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Introduction

<u>Code of Alabama 23-1-357(c)</u>. The department may perform such acts, issue and amend such orders and make, promulgate, or amend general or special rules, regulations, and procedures and establish minimum standards, consistent with the provisions of this article as it shall deem necessary to carry out the provisions of this article and to perform its duties hereunder, all commensurate with and for the purpose of protecting and insuring the general public interest, health, welfare, and safety. (Act 2000-220, 10.)

In accordance with the provisions of the Code of Alabama 23-1-357(c) an inspection of the Bibb County Airport was conducted by Mr. Robert K. Heartsill of the Alabama Department of Transportation Aeronautics Bureau on October 18, 2010.

The corrective actions that may be prescribed in this inspection report do not relieve the airport owner from compliance with any other Federal, State or local laws, ordinances or regulations that may be applicable. It is the responsibility of the airport owner to be aware of and obey all Federal, State or local laws, ordinances or regulations that may have a bearing on the corrective actions that may be specified in this report.

Inspection Methodology

The inspection of the required State Approach/Departure Path and Federal Runway Protection Zones was accomplished by the use of approved engineering methods and equipment. The angles, locations and heights of trees or other objects within these areas were derived by the use of a Theodolite and electronic distance measuring device.

All other areas of the inspection were conducted visually and photographed for reference purposes.

The FAA Airport Design Standards referred to in this report were taken from the Airport Layout Plan (ALP) dated March 25, 1998.

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License Status

Code of Alabama 23-1-375(a). ...a person or municipality may not operate an airport, restricted landing area, or other air navigation facility without a license issued by the department.

Based upon the findings of the inspection conducted on October 18, 2010 it was determined that the airport <u>meets</u> the requirements for the issuance of an operating license.

1. Approach and Departure Paths Administrative Code 450-9-1-.12(1)

(See Appendix 1)

State Licensing Standards

For all hard surface runways the approach and departure path begins 200 feet from the runway end (runway threshold).

The approach and departure path for all runways is centered along the extended runway centerline and extends for 1000 feet (See Appendix 1).

The approach and departure path for all runways slopes up at a ratio of 20:1.

All penetrations of the approach and departure paths, whether natural or manmade, constitute an obstruction to navigation and must be removed.

The land beneath the approach and departure path must be controlled by the airport owner. This is accomplished by ownership of the property in fee simple or by written perpetual agreement with the owner of the land.

- → Runway 10/28 was inspected and found to have no obstructions to the ALDOT Approach/Departure Path.
- → Runway 10/28 was inspected and found to have no obstructions to the FAA Runway Protection Zone (RPZ).
- → The FAA Runway Protection Zone currently has the same dimensions as the ALDOT Approach and Departure Path.

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Any published straight-in approach to the runway will change the dimensions of the FAA Runway Protection Zone and will require obstruction removal within the RPZ of Runway 28.





Approach to Runway 10

Photo 2



Approach to Runway 28

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2. Primary Surface Administrative Code 450-9-1-.12(2)

State Licensing Standards

Primary Surface (See Appendix 1): The primary surface is 250 feet wide, centered on the runway centerline and extends 200 feet past the end of the marked runway. The primary surface is required to be free of all obstructions, manmade or natural. The only allowable objects are runway lights, guidance signs, or navigation equipment that by function is required to be within the primary surface boundaries.

Inspection Results

→ The Primary Surface meets licensing requirements.

3. Runway Safety Area Administrative Code 450-9-1-.12(3)

State Licensing Standards

Runway Safety Area (Appendix 1): All runways are required to maintain an obstruction free area adjacent to each runway. This area is 120 feet wide, centered on the runway centerline, and extends for a distance of 200 feet past the runway end. The area must be compacted and graded smooth with no ruts, humps, depressions or other potentially hazardous surface variations. The slope along the longitudinal centerline shall not exceed a rise or fall of three percent in elevation relative to the runway end elevation. The lip from the top of the pavement to the grade adjacent to the runway should not exceed 3 inches.

Inspection Results

→ The Runway Safety Area meets licensing requirements.

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4. Airport Markings Administrative Code 450-9-1-.12(4)

State Licensing Standards

Airport Markings: All runways are required to be marked in a manner identifying the boundaries of the landing areas. The runway markings must be painted white and be maintained in a legible condition.

- → The runway identifier markings are in GOOD condition on Runway 10.
- → The runway identifier markings are in GOOD condition on Runway 28.
- → The touchdown zone markings are in GOOD condition.
- → The runway centerline markings are in GOOD condition.
- → The taxiway and apron have no markings.





Runway Identifier markings of Runway 10

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Runway Identifier markings of Runway 28

5. Wind Direction Indicator Administrative Code 450-9-1-.12(5)

State Licensing Standards

Wind Direction Indicators: All airports are required to have an operational wind direction indicator. It must be installed in a highly visible area and free from obstructions to ensure true wind direction and velocity. Night operations require the indicator be lighted.

Inspection Results

→ The wind direction indicator was inspected and found to be lit and operational.

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Windsock Assembly

6. Airport Lighting Administrative Code 450-9-1-.12(6)

State Licensing Standards

Airport Lighting: Runway lights and a lighted wind direction indicator are required for night operations. A rotating beacon is suggested. All runway, threshold, and taxiway lighting shall be maintained in operational condition and shall not be obscured by natural growth such as grass and/or weeds.

- → Five runway light bulbs are out of service.
- → One threshold light bulb on Runway 10 is out of service.
- → One REIL is out of service on Runway 10.

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Required Action

→ Repair/replace inoperative lights.

7. Runway, Taxiway and Apron Conditions Administrative Code 450-9-1-.12(7)

State Licensing Standards

Runway, Taxiway and Apron Conditions: All airport pavement surfaces associated with aircraft operations must be kept smooth and free of any defect or obstruction that could damage an aircraft. The lip of the airport pavement surfaces must not exceed three (3) inches in elevation from the top of the pavement to the shoulder. The drop should only be enough to allow sufficient drainage and not pose a control problem for aircraft exiting the runway. The aircraft parking apron is for the operation and parking of aircraft only and should be smooth and free of obstructions or defects that could cause damage to aircraft during operations.

- → The runway pavement is in GOOD condition.
- → The apron condition is FAIR to POOR. The apron has isolated areas of broken pavement.
- → The taxiway condition is FAIR to POOR with isolated areas of broken pavement and alligator cracking.





Broken pavement on the taxiway from the hangar area

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Taxiway from the apron

Required Action

→ Reconstruct failed areas as necessary.

8. Fueling Area Requirements Administrative Code 450-9-1-.12(8)

State Licensing Standards

Signs should be posted prohibiting open flames or smoking in fueling areas. The fueling facility must be labeled indicating the type fuel being dispensed.

Grounding cables must be available.

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A fire extinguisher approved for the purpose of extinguishing petroleum product fires available during all fueling operations.

Serviceable hoses and connections that would preclude a rupture or leaking of fuel.

- → The fueling area is out of service.
- → Aircraft fuel is available from fuel trucks.



Fueling area out of service

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9. Prohibited Activities Administrative Code 450-9-1-.16

State Licensing Standards

Prohibited Activities: The use of any portion of the aircraft operations area, or airport property within the boundaries of the imaginary surfaces of a licensed airport for any purpose other than the operation of aircraft shall be deemed a non-aeronautical activity and is prohibited.

Inspection Results

→ There were no prohibited activities noted during this inspection.

Summary

The table below summarizes items noted in this report.

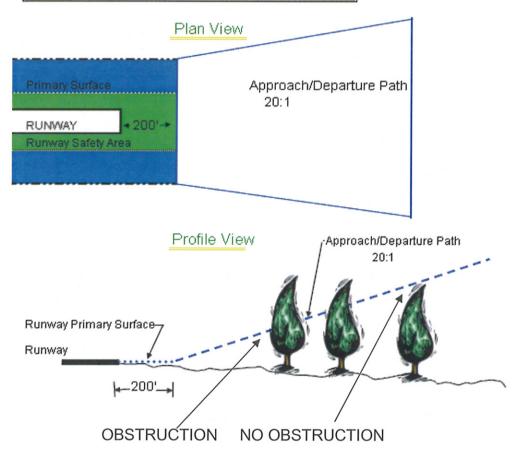
INSPECTION SUMMARY

Inspection Area	Violation/Maintenance	Corrective Action
Airport Lighting	Maintenance	Repair/replace inoperative lights
Runway, Taxiway, Apron Conditions	Maintenance	Reconstruct failed areas on ramp & taxiway

Please contact the Aeronautics Bureau of the Alabama Department of Transportation at (334) 242-6820 with questions concerning the Annual Inspection Report.

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Approach and Departure Path Dimensions				
Inner	Outer			
Width	Width	Length	Acreage	
250 Feet	450 Feet	1,000 Feet	8.04 Acres	
Primary Surface Dimensions				
250 Feet Wide Centered Along Runway Centerline				
Extending 200 Feet Past the Runway End				
Runway Safety Area Dimensions				
120 Feet Wide Centered Along Runway Centerline				
Extending 200 Feet Past the Runway End				



APPENDIX 1